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Serial No.: 09/362,394

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Group Art. Unit: 1648

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A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27 is enclosed.

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO MARCH 13, 2003 FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This Amendment is submitted in response to a March 13, 2003 Final Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the March 13, 2003 Final Office Action is due June 13, 2003. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

Please amend the subject application as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel claim 86 without prejudice to applicants' right to pursue the subject matter of this claim in a future continuation or divisional application.

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